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## I & II TIMOTHY AND TITUS

### INTRODUCTION

I and II Timothy and Titus are called the "Pastoral Epistles" because they were written to two young pastors and contain instructions and admonitions regarding church administration. The Apostle Paul also gave instructions concerning the personal conduct of Timothy and Titus.

The books of Timothy and Titus are as needful and helpful today as they were when first written. In these epistles we discover a practical approach for every aspect of the Christian life as related to the Church. Most commentators believe that I Timothy and Titus were written after Paul's release from his first imprisonment. The dates would, therefore, be about 65 A.D. for I Timothy and 66 or 67 A.D. for the book of Titus. It is generally thought that II Timothy was written during Paul's second imprisonment which ended in his death.

### I TIMOTHY

It seems that Timothy was of a retiring or even fearful nature and possibly may have used his youth or his health as an excuse not to face up to the responsibilities of his ministry. Paul realized this and encouraged him by reminding him of his gift and calling in the Lord. He also charged him before God to do the work of the ministry in a righteous manner.

#### CHAPTER 1 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

This chapter is an admonition to possess and to preach sound doctrine.

1. Who is the author of this epistle? v. 1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour
2. How does Paul refer to Timothy in verse 2? Timothy, my own son in the faith

Timothy was probably converted during Paul's first missionary journey. For this reason Paul calls him, "my own son in the faith."

3. Timothy's mother was a Jewess but his father was a Greek. Acts 16:1
4. Why was Timothy to remain at Ephesus? v. 3 that He mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine,

This scripture refers not only to doctrines of false religions, but to any doctrine which poses as Christian doctrine yet contradicts the truths of the Bible.

5. Giving heed to legends or endless genealogies only results in useless discussions and questions rather than godly edifying which is in faith. v. 4
6. The purpose of the commandment is to show love. This love should spring from charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and and of faith unfeigned: v.5
7. Some brethren were so desirous of being teachers of the Mosaic law that they had turned from sound doctrine to vain and useless talking (v. 6) What does verse 7 say concerning their qualifications? understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.
8. For those who use it properly, the law is is good,
9. The law was not made for a law is not made for a righteous man

Verses 9 and 10 state that the law was made for sinners. Verse 11 indicates that the **principles** of the law are a part of the gospel.

10. For what three things did Paul thank the Lord? v. 12

- a. hath enabled me, b. that he counted me faithful,  
c. putting me into the ministry

The words "I thank" indicate not just a statement of gratitude but a constant attitude of gratefulness on Paul's part.

11. Why did Paul obtain mercy even though he had been a blasphemer and persecutor? v. 13 \_\_\_\_\_  
because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.

In verse 13 Paul recognized the responsibility of knowing the truth of Jesus Christ. Paul obtained mercy because he persecuted the Church in unbelief. God's mercy is always available to the truly repentant heart; however, once we are enlightened by the Holy Spirit, we become more responsible for our actions.

12. What was manifested exceedingly abundantly with faith and love? v. 14 the grace of our Lord was

13. Why did Christ come into the world? v. 15 to save sinners

14. Who did Paul consider to be the chief of sinners? v. 15 of whom I am chief. himself

15. Why did Jesus Christ show forth His longsuffering first toward Paul? v.16 \_\_\_\_\_  
for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting. through mercy

Verse 17 is a praise offering from Paul to his wonderful and eternal King. Paul never restrained himself in giving thanks and praises to God.

16. Once again Paul charged Timothy in verse 18 "that thou by them (the prophecies) mightest ...  
mightest war a good warfare; \_\_\_\_\_."

17. Paul spoke of two men who turned away from the faith and made "shipwreck." Why did he deliver Alexander and Hymenaeus to Satan? v. 20 that they may learn not to blaspheme.

The Apostle also mentioned this same Alexander in II Timothy 4:14,15. Paul was always very stern with false brethren who were attempting to disrupt the work of the ministry.

## CHAPTER 2 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

The first part of the chapter gives instruction concerning prayer. The second part concerns women in the church.

1. What should be made for **all** men? v. 1 a. supplications  
b. prayers, c. intercessions,  
d. and giving of thanks

2. Why should kings and all in authority be especially remembered in prayer? v. 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty

3. It pleases God when we pray and intercede because He desires that all men \_\_\_\_\_  
be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. v. 4a

4. Who is the one and only Mediator between God and men? v. 5 the man Christ Jesus;
5. In verse 7 Paul says that he is a a preacher,, and an apostle and a Teacher
6. As men pray, lifting up holy hands, what should they forsake? v. 8 wrath and doubting.

Verses 9 through 15 contain important teaching about the appearance of women and their place in the church.

7. How should women dress? v. 9 women adorn themselves in modest apparel

Women should be modest and moderate in every aspect of their appearance. It is not necessary to be extremely drab or extremely worldly to be pleasing to both God and man.

8. With what should woman be adorned? v. 10 with good works.

Verses 11 and 12 are comparable to I Corinthians 11:2-16 concerning the conduct of women. Like the Corinthian women, some of the Ephesian women were evidently overstepping their liberty in Christ and becoming a reproach. Paul certainly recognized woman's place in serving God, but it must be according to the guidelines of scripture and of the local church.

9. How did the woman fall into transgression? v. 14 woman being deceived was in the transgression.

10. The woman will be saved in childbearing if she continues in faith  
and charity and holiness with sobriety. v. 15

The Amplified version brings out that the woman shall be saved indeed through childbearing--that is, by the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ.

### CHAPTER 3 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

This chapter sets forth the qualifications of bishops and deacons. The bishops, or overseers, had the responsibility of the spiritual oversight, welfare, and direction of the local church.

1. To desire the office of a bishop is to desire a good work. v. 1

Verses 3 and 4 give some of the qualifications for a bishop or overseer. Basically, the bishop or deacon should give no grounds for the enemy to bring accusations against him.

2. Why is it important for a bishop to rule his own house well? v. 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
(For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

3. Why shouldn't a novice, or a new convert, have this position? v. 6 lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the

4. A bishop must not only be an example in the church but must also condemnation of the devil.  
have a good reputation \_\_\_\_\_  
of them which are without \_\_\_\_\_ v. 7

It is very important that not only the leaders, but **all** Christians maintain a good testimony before the world.

Verses 8 through 13 give the qualifications for deacons. The first example of this office is found in Acts 6:1-5. Read these verses. Both the bishops and deacons were to be full of the Holy Spirit and faith, but here Paul sets forth the standards by which they were to live. They are similar to those set down for bishops.

5. What do those who use the office in a godly manner purchase for themselves? v. 13 \_\_\_\_\_  
a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.
6. What six things did Paul say concerning God when he spoke of the mystery, or previously hidden truth, of godliness? v. 16
- a. God was manifest in the flesh, \_\_\_\_\_ b. justified in the Spirit, \_\_\_\_\_  
c. seen of angels, \_\_\_\_\_ d. preached unto the Gentiles, \_\_\_\_\_  
e. believed on in the world, \_\_\_\_\_ f. received up into glory. \_\_\_\_\_

Some commentaries state that the word "mystery" in the New Testament refers to a previously hidden truth, which when revealed, is understood by the believer. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit, these wonderful truths of I Timothy 3:16 have been revealed to us.

#### CHAPTER 4 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

In this chapter Paul warned against certain doctrinal error and further exhorted Timothy concerning the work of the ministry and his personal life.

1. Who speaks expressly concerning the errors that will be manifested? v. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Now the Spirit speaketh expressly
2. To what will some give heed after departing from the faith? v. 1b \_\_\_\_\_ seducing spirits,  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ doctrines of devils; \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 2 speaks not of someone in ignorance, but of one who deliberately goes against his conscience.

3. How should the Christian receive all food? vv. 3,4 \_\_\_\_\_ with thanksgiving
4. How is the food sanctified? v. 5 \_\_\_\_\_ by the word of God and prayer

Paul exhorted Timothy to remind all the brethren of the sound teachings of verses 1-5. Timothy was told that good doctrine would be nourishment for his soul.

5. Speaking of two types of exercise or training, Paul told Timothy to shun that which was unprofitable. Which training profits little? v. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ bodily exercise \_\_\_\_\_ Which is profitable unto all things?  
\_\_\_\_\_ but godliness is profitable unto all things \_\_\_\_\_
6. Because Paul and the brethren trusted in the living God, they both \_\_\_\_\_ labour and suffer reproach \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. v. 10a

When verse 10 speaks of God as "the Saviour of all men", it is in the same sense that Jesus is "the Saviour of the world" (John 4:42). Christ is the **actual** Saviour of the believer and the **potential** Saviour of the unbeliever.

7. Name six ways in which Timothy was to be an example. v. 12
- a. in word, \_\_\_\_\_ b. in conversation, \_\_\_\_\_  
c. in charity, \_\_\_\_\_ d. in spirit, \_\_\_\_\_  
e. in faith, \_\_\_\_\_ f. in purity \_\_\_\_\_
8. To what three things was Timothy to give attention? v. 13
- a. to reading, \_\_\_\_\_ b. to exhortation, \_\_\_\_\_ c. to doctrine. \_\_\_\_\_
9. How did Timothy receive his gift? v. 14 \_\_\_\_\_ the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. \_\_\_\_\_

10. What would be the result of Timothy's giving heed to himself and the doctrine? v. 16 \_\_\_\_\_  
for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.
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## CHAPTER 5 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

This chapter is concerned particularly with widows and elders.

1. How should the following people be treated? vv. 1,2
    - a. An older man intreat him as a father
    - b. A younger man as brethren
    - c. An older woman as mothers
    - d. A younger woman as sisters, with all purity
  2. Who should be honored? v. 3 Honour widows that are widows indeed.
  3. The following characterize a widow:
    - a. She is without family and desolate. v. 5a
    - b. She trusts in God and prays night and day. v. 5b
    - c. She must be at least threescore years old years old. v. 9
    - d. She must have done many good works. v. 10a
  4. If a widow's family not care for her, they are worse than than an infidel v.8b  
In verses 11-15, Paul warned against young widows who were idle and open to temptation. He advised that they marry again.
  5. Who should be counted worthy of double honor? v. 17 elders that rule well be counted worthy
  6. Is it scriptural for one who labors in the ministry to be rewarded? v. 18 The labourer is worthy of his reward.
  7. Paul told Timothy not to receive an accusation against an elder unless it was confirmed by 2 or 3 witnesses. v.19
  8. Why should those who sin be rebuked before the church? v. 20 that others also may fear.
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Verse 22 teaches that the laying on of hands signifies identification with the church. Paul admonished not to restore one who had sinned to church fellowship too quickly or the matter would be regarded lightly. This verse also warns against placing immature Christians in positions of responsibility.

9. We should not partake of others' sins but remain keep thyself pure.

Timothy was advised in verse 23 to take a little wine for medicinal purposes.

Verses 24 and 25 make it clear that all sins and all good works, whether done openly or in secret, will ultimately be either judged or rewarded.

## CHAPTER 6 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. Why should servants under the yoke give their masters honor and respect? v. 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
that the name of God and his doctrine be not blasphemed.
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2. What attitude was a slave to have, especially to a master who believed? v. 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 let them not despise them, because they are brethren; but rather do them service

We can compare this with an employer and employee relationship today. We are to be an example to the unbelieving employer and are not to take advantage of the believing one. We should always put forth our best effort.

3. If any man teach anything other than the words of Jesus, he is \_\_\_\_\_ proud,  
 and knows \_\_\_\_\_ knowing nothing
4. Paul said to \_\_\_\_\_ withdraw thyself. \_\_\_\_\_ from such men. v. 5b
5. What is great gain? v. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ godliness with contentment is great gain
6. With what should we be content? v. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ having food and raiment let us be therewith content
7. What is the root of all evil? v. 10a \_\_\_\_\_ the love of money is the root of all evil

The teaching here is that the spirit of greed will become a root for a multitude of other sins. Lust for money has driven men to lying, cheating, stealing, murder, and all manner of depravity. We should be careful of any teachings that tell us to covet material gain.

8. What was Timothy told to pursue? v. 11 a. \_\_\_\_\_ follow after righteousness  
 b. \_\_\_\_\_ godliness, c. \_\_\_\_\_ faith, d. \_\_\_\_\_ love,  
 e. \_\_\_\_\_ patience, f. \_\_\_\_\_ meekness
9. What was Timothy to fight? v. 12 \_\_\_\_\_ the good fight of faith
10. To what had he been called? v. 12 \_\_\_\_\_ eternal life
11. What charge did Paul give to Timothy concerning this commandment(1:5)? v.14 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ
12. In verse 15 Jesus is described as: \_\_\_\_\_ blessed and only Potentate,  
 \_\_\_\_\_ the King of kings, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Lord of lords;
13. Where does Jesus dwell? v. 16 \_\_\_\_\_ in the light which no man can approach unto
14. Where should the rich put their trust? v. 17 \_\_\_\_\_ not trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God
15. Why should the rich do good works and be willing to share? v. 19 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ that they may lay hold on eternal life.
16. What was Timothy to keep? v. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and  
 \_\_\_\_\_ oppositions of science falsely so called:

## II TIMOTHY

While in prison, Paul wrote this final letter to Timothy. Having been forsaken by those in Rome, Paul was alone and awaiting death. However, even in such circumstances, he was concerned for Timothy and his ministry.

### CHAPTER 1 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. How did Paul refer to Timothy in verse 2? \_\_\_\_\_ my dearly beloved son
2. How often did he pray for Timothy? v. 3 \_\_\_\_\_ prayers night and day;

3. From whom did Timothy receive the example for his faith? v. 5 which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice  
Behind many men and women of God is the wonderful heritage of a praying mother or grandmother.
4. What was Timothy told to stir up? v. 6 stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands
5. Timothy was reminded by Paul of some of his God-given resources. What were they? v. 7  
a. but of power, b. and of love, c. and of a sound mind.
6. Rather than being ashamed of Paul or the testimony of the Lord, Timothy was to partake of ... of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; v. 8
7. God has not saved us and called us according to our works but rather according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, v.9
8. What has Christ abolished? v. 10 death
9. What has He brought? v. 10 life and immortality to light through the gospel:
10. Of what was Paul persuaded? v. 12 he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day
11. Timothy was told to hold fast to healthy doctrine which was committed to him by keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us. v. 14
12. How many in Asia had turned away from Paul? v. 15 all they which are in Asia
13. Who stood by Paul and visited him in prison in Rome? v. 16 Onesiphorus
14. Where else had Onesiphorus ministered to Paul? v. 18 Ephesus

## CHAPTER 2 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

This chapter deals with good Christian conduct in the time of apostasy. The early church had grown rapidly, but near the end of Paul's ministry, many were turning away from the faith to false doctrines and worldliness.

1. What was Timothy to do with the things he had heard from Paul? v. 2 commit thou to faithful men
2. What does a good soldier of Jesus Christ do? v. 3 endure hardness
3. Paul told Timothy that one who wars in the service of the Lord must not entangleth himself with the affairs of this life v. 4a
4. Each competitor must strive lawfully if he is to be crowned v.5
5. Who is the first to partake of the fruit? v. 6 husbandman that laboreth must be first partaker  
Paul told Timothy to separate himself to the Lord and not to be involved in the affairs of this world. Then he said that Timothy was to live from the vineyard in which he labored.
6. Who gives understanding in all things? v. 7 the Lord
7. According to Paul's gospel, what happened to Jesus? v. 8 was raised from the dead according to my gospel:
8. Paul was persecuted and in bonds for the sake of the gospel. Was the word of God also bound? v. 9 the word of God is not bound.

The vessel of God may be literally bound, as Paul was, or bound by outward circumstances; but the word of God knows no limitations. God's word can overstep barriers of time, distance and circum-

stance to do the work that God has purposed.

9. Why was Paul prepared to endure all things for the sake of the elect? v.10 \_\_\_\_\_  
that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
10. If we die and suffer with Christ, we will also live and reign with Him. What will happen if we deny Him? v. 12 \_\_\_\_\_ he also will deny us:
11. Even if we don't believe, God is still \_\_\_\_\_ he abideth faithful. v. 13
12. Once again Paul exhorted Timothy not to indulge in useless or petty words but rather to be approved of God through \_\_\_\_\_ Study to shew thyself approved. v. 15a
13. If we study, what will we be able to do? v. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ rightly dividing the word of truth
14. What will profane and vain talk cause to increase? v. 16 \_\_\_\_\_ unto more ungodliness.
15. What seal or inscription is found on the sure foundation of God? v. 19
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ The Lord knoweth them that are his
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

One commentator suggests that the first inscription guarantees the **security**, and the other the **purity**, of the church.

16. Verse 20 explains that there are vessels of honor and vessels of dishonor. If a man cleanses and separates himself from sin, which type of vessel will he be? v.21 \_\_\_\_\_ he shall be a vessel unto honour
17. For what is an honorable vessel ready to be used? v. 21 \_\_\_\_\_ sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.
18. Verse 22 tells us to flee from sin and to follow \_\_\_\_\_ righteousness,  
faith, \_\_\_\_\_, charity, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ peace,
19. Name three qualities a servant of the Lord should possess. v. 24
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ be gentle unto all men
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_, apt to teach,
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ patient,
20. Why is it necessary to instruct those who hold false ideas? v. 25 \_\_\_\_\_  
if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;
21. If they acknowledge the truth, from what will they escape? v.26 \_\_\_\_\_ the snare of the devil

### CHAPTER 3 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

This chapter deals in greater detail with the apostasy (forsaking of the faith) in the last days. Paul saw the roots of these attitudes in his own time. If the beginning of apostasy in Paul's day was destroying the faith of many, consider the danger to the church today.

1. What will come in the last days? v. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ perilous times shall come.
2. Verses 2-5 contain a long list of characteristics of those who are not true servants of God. What advice did Paul give concerning them? v. 5b  
\_\_\_\_\_ from such turn away.

An apostate is one who has deliberately turned from the truth. Although he denies the faith in his heart, he does not necessarily turn from an outward profession of Christianity.

3. In verse 6 Paul exposed the apostate teachers' method of operation. They approach those whose minds are filled with foolishness and whose impure hearts make them open to deception. These apostates are so foolish that they believe they are continually learning, but in reality they never come to \_\_\_\_\_ never able to come to the knowledge of the truth \_\_\_\_\_ . v.7
4. These who have left the faith oppose and \_\_\_\_\_ resist \_\_\_\_\_ the truth just as the magicians, Jannes and Jambres, opposed and resisted Moses. v. 8
5. In verses 10-12 Paul first declared his own testimony and then noted the persecutions, afflictions, and deliverances he had experienced. Who else will suffer persecution? v. 12 \_\_\_\_\_  
all that will live godly in Christ Jesus
6. What will become worse? v. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse
7. Paul told Timothy to continue in the things he had learned and assured him that the scriptures were able to \_\_\_\_\_ are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. \_\_\_\_\_ v. 15
8. How is scripture inspired? v. 16 \_\_\_\_\_ All scripture is given by inspiration of God
9. In what four ways is the Word profitable? v. 16  
a. \_\_\_\_\_ doctrine, \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ for reproof, \_\_\_\_\_  
c. \_\_\_\_\_ for correction, \_\_\_\_\_ d. \_\_\_\_\_ for instruction in righteousness: \_\_\_\_\_
10. The word of God equips the man of God that he may be perfect unto \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_  
thoroughly furnished unto all good works. \_\_\_\_\_ . v. 17

#### CHAPTER 4 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. Paul again commanded Timothy to be faithful, and in verse 2 gave him five admonitions to follow. What are they?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_ Preach the word; \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ be instant in season, out of season; \_\_\_\_\_  
c. \_\_\_\_\_ reprove, \_\_\_\_\_ d. \_\_\_\_\_ rebuke, \_\_\_\_\_  
e. \_\_\_\_\_ exhort with all long suffering and doctrine. \_\_\_\_\_
2. In verse 3 Paul described those who desire to hear that which is pleasing to the flesh rather than the sound doctrine of the gospel. They will turn from \_\_\_\_\_ truth, \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ fables. \_\_\_\_\_ . v. 4
3. What four things was Timothy told to do in verse 5?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_ watch thou in all things, \_\_\_\_\_  
b. \_\_\_\_\_ endure afflictions, \_\_\_\_\_  
c. \_\_\_\_\_ do the work of an evangelist, \_\_\_\_\_  
d. \_\_\_\_\_ make full proof of thy ministry \_\_\_\_\_
4. Paul told Timothy he was ready to depart this life; what did he say he had done? v.7 a. \_\_\_\_\_  
I have fought a good fight, \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ I have finished my course, \_\_\_\_\_ c. \_\_\_\_\_ I have kept the faith \_\_\_\_\_
5. What was laid up for Paul? v. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ laid up for me a crown of righteousness \_\_\_\_\_
6. Who else will receive this crown? v. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ all them also that love his appearing \_\_\_\_\_

7. Paul asked Timothy to come to him quickly and mentioned that Demas had forsaken him. v. 10

The tragic story of Demas can be traced from two other verses in Paul's epistles. Philemon 24 and Colossians 4:14 reveal that Demas once knew the high calling of God and traveled with Paul in the ministry. Apparently the glitter of the world caught Demas' eye, and Paul left this testimony of him: "Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world."

8. Who was the only one left with Paul? v. 11 Only Luke is with me  
9. Why did Paul want Timothy to bring Mark with him? v. 11 for he is profitable to me for the ministry.

Although there had been an earlier contention between Paul and Barnabas over Mark's lack of commitment (Acts 15:37-40), it appears from this verse that Mark had proven his ministry to Paul's satisfaction.

10. What did Paul ask Timothy to bring to him? v. 13 The cloke, and the books, but especially the parchments.  
11. Against whom did Paul warn Timothy? vv. 14,15 Alexander the coppersmith  
12. What did Paul desire for the ones who had forsaken him? v. 16 I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.  
13. Who stood with Paul? v.17 the Lord stood with me  
14. Through the strength of the Lord, Paul proclaimed the gospel so that that all the Gentiles might hear. v. 17  
15. For what would the Lord preserve Paul? v. 18 unto his heavenly kingdom

In verses 19-22 Paul sent greetings and again asked Timothy to come to him as quickly as possible.

We see in II Timothy that Paul's concern, even in the face of death, was that the gospel be preached in its fullness. The Apostle Paul consistently lived his life so that he might attain his heart-felt desire: "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his suffering, being made conformable unto his death." Phil. 3:10

## TITUS

Titus was a Greek converted through Paul's ministry. He had previously been sent to Corinth as Paul's representative to take care of matters requiring great responsibility. When this letter was written, Titus had been left in Crete to set the churches in order, and the book of Titus was Paul's instruction and encouragement to him.

### CHAPTER 1 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. How did Paul refer to himself in verse 1? a. a servant of God,  
b. and an apostle of Jesus Christ  
2. What did God promise before the world began? v. 2 In hope of eternal life  
3. How is God's word manifested? v. 3 manifested his word through preaching

4. How did Paul address Titus? v. 4 mine own son after the common faith
5. Why was Titus left in Crete? v. 5 a. that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting,  
b. and ordain elders in every city
6. In verses 6-9 the qualifications for a bishop are given.
7. Why did the vain talkers and deceivers mentioned in verse 10 teach things that they shouldn't?  
v. 11 for filthy lucre's sake.
8. One of their own prophets said that the Cretians were alway liars,  
evil beasts,, and slow bellies. v. 12
9. Titus was told to rebuke them so that they would be that they may be sound in the faith v. 13
10. To whom are all things pure? v. 15 Unto the pure all things are pure
11. To whom is nothing pure? v. 15b unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure
12. How does one profess to know God and yet deny Him? v. 16 Also read Matt. 7:20-23   
but in works they deny him

This chapter emphasizes Paul's strong stand against the false brethren who taught wrong doctrine and preached with wrong motives in the early church. Throughout his writings, Paul warned the people of this danger and confronted the responsible individuals. For a church to remain healthy and strong, it must not only be protected from the external evil forces, but it also must be kept from those who would contaminate it from within. We must follow the admonition of I Thess. 5:21, "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

## CHAPTER 2 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. According to sound doctrine, the older men should be be sober,, grave,  
temperate, and sound in faith,  
in charity, and in patience. v. 2  
the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home,
2. The older women should be an example and teach good, obedient to their own husbands v.4
3. What was Titus to show in doctrine? v. 7 a. a pattern of good works:  
b. in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, c. gravity, sincerity, Sound speech,
4. If the speech or instruction of Titus was sound, then it could not be condemned v.8
5. Servants are given certain instructions to follow so that they may adorn (enhance) the ...   
doctrine of God our Saviour in all things v. 10
6. What has appeared to all men? v. 11 the grace of God that bringeth salvation
7. This grace has taught us to reject ungodliness and worldly lusts v.12
8. How should we live in this world? v. 12 a. soberly,  
b. righteously, c. and godly
9. For what should we be expectantly looking? v. 13   
that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ
10. What does Jesus want to purify for himself? v. 14 a peculiar people, zealous of good works

"Peculiar" as used here does not denote strange or odd. The original word denotes ownership. We have been specially selected by God and we belong exclusively to Him.

11. How was Titus to speak, exhort, and rebuke? v. 15 with all authority

### CHAPTER 3 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. How should we respond toward those in authority? v. 1 obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,

2. What should we show to all men? v. 2 meekness unto all men.

Verse 3 is a description of man without the saving knowledge of Christ.

3. We are not saved by Not by works of righteousness which we have done v. 5a

4. How are we saved? v. 5b but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

5. How are we justified? v. 7 by his grace

6. What are those who believe in God to maintain? v. 8 good works

In verse 9 Titus was told to avoid unprofitable things.

7. What should one do after admonishing a heretic twice? v. 10 reject;

A heretic is an individual who rejects the true doctrine of the Bible and fabricates his own beliefs. Such an individual will cause division and trouble in the body of Christ.

8. After Titus was relieved by Artemas or Tychicus, where did Paul want him to go? v. 12 Nicopolis

9. The Cretians were to maintain good works so that they would not be unfruitful. v.14

These three epistles are filled with doctrine and instruction. They are beneficial to those who desire to walk in uprightness and soundness before the Lord. Believe II Timothy 3:16, put into practice II Timothy 2:15, and let your soul be nourished!

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